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**Gov. Perdue Announces 120 Jobs with Eaton**  
*Company plans expansion in Person County*

**RALEIGH** – Gov. Bev Perdue announced today that Eaton Corporation, a diversified industrial manufacturer will expand its Roxboro facility in Person County to meet the needs of its global automotive customers. The company plans to create 120 jobs over the next four years and will invest \$23.3 million to build leading edge engine valvetrain components that will reduce emissions and help improve a vehicles overall performance, fuel economy and safety.

The project was made possible in part by state grants from the Job Development Investment Grant program and One North Carolina Fund.

“Eaton has deep roots in North Carolina and has been a long-time employer in Person County. We are delighted they have chosen to create new jobs there,” said Gov. Perdue. “The company’s focus on sustainable transportation and helping to improve the fuel economy of cars and trucks fits comfortably with my focus on bringing green business to North Carolina.”

Celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2011, Eaton Corporation is a diversified power management company with 2010 sales of \$13.7 billion. Eaton has more than 70,000 employees in 150 countries, with 3,400 of those employees in 12 locations throughout North Carolina. Eaton has operated the facility in Roxboro since 1965. Over the years the facility has manufactured a variety of components for the automotive industry including tire valves and various engine components. Today, the facility is focused on manufacturing components for the next generation of cylinder deactivation and variable valvetrain systems that can help improve a vehicle’s fuel economy and reduce emissions.

While individual wages for the 120 jobs will vary by job function, the overall average for the new jobs will be \$35,875 a year, not including benefits. The Person County average annual wage is \$32,136.